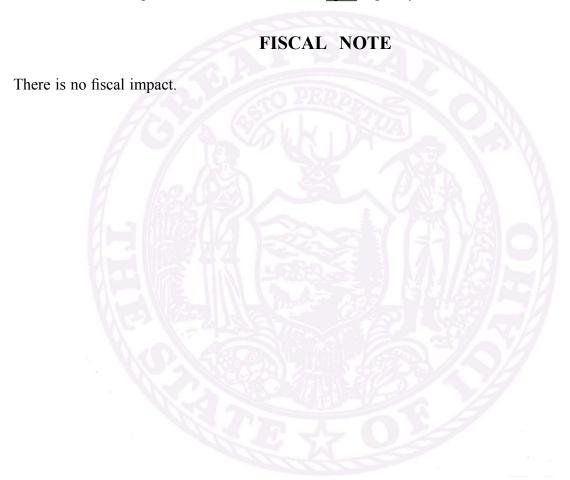
## STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

## RS20536

The purpose of this legislation is to amend the current law to clarify when a county or a highway district is required to remove an encroachment on a highway or public right-of-way that "effectually obstructs or prevents the use" for vehicular traffic. The existing law contains a definitional ambiguity because the definition of "highway" and "public right-of-way" contemplates both open and unopened highways and public rights-of-way.

This legislation will require and authorize a county and highway district to remove any encroachments that prevents vehicular use of an open highway.



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